Washington Notes

A POWERED CRUISER

The keel of the Navy's first surface A-powered ship was recently laid at the Fore River Shipyard of Bethlehem Steel Company, at Quincey, Mass. The cruiser — the Long Beach — will be the first U. S. cruiser to be designed and built from the keel up since World War II. She will be 721 feet long, will have an extreme beam of 73 feet and a standard displacement of 11,000 tons.

NEW FOREIGN AID FUNDS

President Eisenhower is expected to urge congressional leaders to also provide about $4 billion in new foreign aid funds to help offset Russian economic subversion abroad. The sum, about $600 million more than Congress appropriated last year, would extend the foreign aid program into a twelfth consecutive year, and would cover the year beginning July 1.

SMALL U. S. BONDS

Total volume of "E" bond sales has amounted to $3,804,553,000 for the ten months ended October 31, the Treasury has announced. This was 11.8 per cent under a year ago. While sales are down, redemptions remain high, there are now outstanding $41,553,000,000 in small savings bonds, only slightly under the all-time high.

FARMERS' SOCIAL SECURITY

About 500,000 farm families will be receiving social security benefits by mid-1958, according to the Agriculture Department. Self-employed farmers were made eligible for old age and survivors insurance by Congress in 1955. Payments to farm families next year may average about $1,000 or at an annual rate of about $500,000,000.

SOYBEANS

The United States has become the world leader in trade in soybeans and soybean oil since World War II, becoming the source of from two-thirds to three-fourths of the world trade in these products. In 1956, the U. S. furnished 85 per cent of the export supply. Japan has been the major market for U. S. supplies, with large quantities also going to Western Europe and Canada.

EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

While the Revenue Service has reversed its decision to require itemization of all expense accounts on income tax returns for 1957, the service warns that, starting January 1, all employees whose expenses for the firm are paid by the firm must report the total on Page 1 of the 1958 tax return and attach an accounting of what the money was spent for.

COTTON EXPORTS DOWN

Exports of American cotton are running about 25 per cent less than record levels of a year ago, according to the Agriculture Department. During the August — September period this season exports totaled 745,000 bales compared with 966,000 during the corresponding period of 1956. Most of the decline was in exports to Italy and France, with moderate declines to India, Canada, Korea and Japan. Exports to West Germany, on the other hand, increased slightly.

NEW AIR MARK

Four Air Force RF-101 Voodoo fighters flew from Tokyo to Honolulu, a distance of 3,850 miles, in six hours and 35 minutes on December 2, in the first non-stop jet flight over the route. Three B-66 twin-jet bombers flew the same route the same day with an elapsed time of seven hours and eleven minutes.

MORE PARK VISITORS

The completion of the Denali Highway has resulted in an increase in visitors to Mount McKinley National Park in Alaska. The new road makes it possible to drive directly to the park while heretofore the park could be reached only by rail or plane. A total of 5,500 persons visited the park in August and September of 1957 — more than twice the number in the same months of 1956.

EGG PRICES UP

Farm housewives, who depend heavily on eggs for their spending money will be delighted to hear that the Agricultural Marketing Service predicts that in 1958 egg prices will be higher, feed costs lower and sales only slightly under the record volume of 1956 and 1957.

Don't let the holiday season be marred by an automobile accident!

MORE OPPOSITION TO INSURANCE PL

The VALC proposal [illegible] fund to compensate [illegible] caused by financially [illegible] motorists received additism this week.

Governor Thomas B. [illegible] he believed a compulsory [illegible] plan would be a fairer [illegible]

"I would prefer to [illegible] sory insurance for [illegible] Stanley told reporters.

Under the fund, insurance [illegible] insurance would have [illegible] extra burden for the [illegible] irresponsible motorists.

In their recent report [illegible] ginia Advisory Legislat[illegible] made it clear that if Co[illegible] is rejected by the Gen[illegible] bly, then a law should [illegible] require automobile own[illegible] ry liability insurance.

An editorial in the [illegible] News Leader also attack[illegible] posed fund as putting [illegible] the insurance business [illegible] ing the insured motorist [illegible] indirect part toward [illegible] their own protection.

The editorial also [illegible] that New Jersey, which [illegible] ilar plan, has not yet [illegible] experience to determine [illegible] volume of claims. The [illegible] tinued, "There appears [illegible] to believe that the [illegible] come would not be [illegible] nance the outgo from a [illegible] fairly and liberally [illegible]

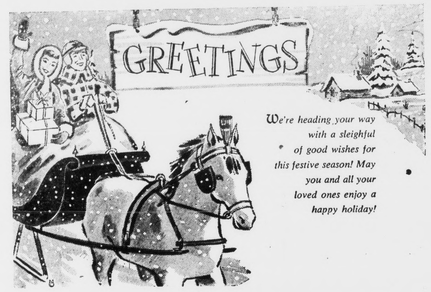
The editorial concludes [illegible] stantial public benefits [illegible] achieved if the present [illegible] were amended so that [illegible] owner would be required [illegible] proof of insurance on [illegible] the time he obtained [illegible] plates.

4th Salk Shot Urged

Philadelphia, Pa.—A [illegible] of Pennsylvania Doctor [illegible] L. Coriell, is urging [illegible] who have previously [illegible] the usual three shots [illegible] a time when the polio vaccine, to be "booster" shot next [illegible] the same time, to [illegible] sons under 40 who have [illegible] to complete the usual [illegible] course of "property [illegible] jections.

Subscription rate: $2 [illegible] payable in advance.

University of Richmond [illegible] first four basketball [illegible]



We're heading your way with a sleighful of good wishes for this festive season! May you and all your loved ones enjoy a happy holiday!

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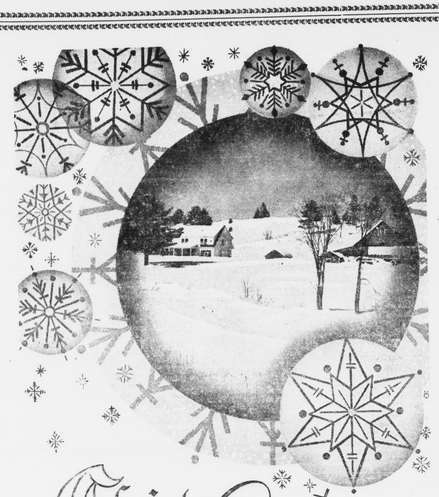

Christmas Greetings

May the true spirit of Christmas bring joy to every home... contentment to every heart. And throughout the coming year, may we all know the peace and good will of which the angels sang on that Holy Night, long ago. To you and yours, we wish a very merry Christmas.

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Dorothy Martin *Barbara Wooldridge*

CHATS

[illegible] to surprise poultry [illegible] parasitic worms should [illegible] Flocks during the laying [illegible] Poultrymen have been [illegible] thinking of this as a [illegible] outdoor, problem.

[illegible] with the use of warm[illegible] and larger [illegible] is definite [illegible] become a laying[illegible]

[illegible] times, the blame for the [illegible] worm problem may be [illegible] lack of a good control [illegible] during the growing period. [illegible] is being prepared [illegible] house should be [illegible] carefully so that they can [illegible] winter quarter practically [illegible] worms.

[illegible] replacement pullets [illegible] at least 4 weeks [illegible] in the house. The [illegible] should be a complete [illegible] against all 3 common kinds [illegible] (large roundworms, tapeworms and worms).

[illegible] treatment may be given [illegible] housing, and a third [illegible] recommended during [illegible] fourth week after [illegible]

[illegible] management and sanitation [illegible] practiced, this program [illegible] care of the flock [illegible] spring year. However, [illegible] goes into the house [illegible] seemed, it may then [illegible] to give periodic treat[illegible] the laying season.

[illegible] treatments given are gen[illegible] the flock type — that is, [illegible] is the feed or drink[illegible] The complete wormer, [illegible] phenothiazin, diluratate (for [illegible] piperazine, and phenothiazine [illegible] be given in the feed. [illegible] roundworms alone are [illegible] and a piperazine prepara[illegible] be given in the water, or [illegible] given in the feed.

[illegible] blind worming also is [illegible] and this may be done [illegible] containing 3 active [illegible] at a time when the [illegible] being handled. This meth[illegible] practical at house[illegible] time.

[illegible] in the house may not [illegible] be condoctive to worm [illegible] If it is kept loose and [illegible] are it will serve effec[illegible] will not exams any [illegible] however, the litter be[illegible] and wet, look out for [illegible] other disease organ[illegible]

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

Richard D. Chumney will succeed Lawrence T. Berry as Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture effective January 1, 1958, the Virginia Department of Agriculture announced. Br. Berry has been with the Department for almost 50 years.

Chumney left the job of sales manager at the Carter-Venable Company in 1956 to come to the Department and serve as Administrative Assistant to Commissioner Parke C. Brinkley.

Born and reared on a farm in Amelia County — the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Chumney, of Mannboro, Virginia — he has always been close to agriculture. Prior to graduating from the Amelia High School as vaedictorian in 1942, he served as state secretary of the Future Farmers of America organization. Among the many honors he received while studying agriculture at Virginia Polytechnic Institute was the 1947 Borden Agricultural Award to the oustanding student in the V. P. I. College of Agriculture.

Prices Paid by Farmers Up For Most Commodities

Farmers will find list prices higher for manufactured items such as machinery, equipment, building supplies, fencing, etc., in 1958.

Agricultural economists at VPI say that with higher prices in steel, manufacturing, and transportation, it is likely that costs of manufactured items will continue upward in list prices.

Since 1951 supplies of practically all kinds of machinery and equipment have been adequate; and many dealers, especially those in drought areas, have sold below list prices, either by giving large discounts for cash purchases or by allowing more than the market value for trade-ins.

Farmers also will likely have to pay higher wage rates for labor. Virginia farm wage rates increased about 2¾% during last year, compared with nearly 3% increase for the rest of the country. A high level of industrial employment maintains the upward pressure on farm wage ates. As farmers compete directly with industry for labor in many areas, they must hold their rates at comparable levels to get help.

With cost of other items used in production going up, many farmers will learn to use fertilizer more profitably since fertilizer use may improve the efficiency in the use of other production items. Prices of fertilizer are not likely to change very much during the next crop year.

The Federal Reserve Board for more than three years has been following policies designed to boost interest rates on loans and thus discourage borrowing. Officials of the board show no inclination now to relax their tight-money policy. There is a possibility of a slight cut in federal taxes during 1958. However, local taxes in many areas of Virginia are likely to increase.

IN FASHION NOW

It seems the cotton knit will be much in the American fashion picture this spring. The knit coat dress and classic button down the front shirtwaist will lead the field.

Knitted, unlined coats will be new and high style. Some will feature jeweled threads for dress occasions.

The foldover clutch bag is still very good. With so much travel in the offing, this is easy to understand. You can take bags in all the colors of the rainbow along in the same space a more conventional bag would occupy. The large carry-all will be shown with cloths recommended for travel abroad. The bigger, the better.

This is the bag you will keep with you during the day. In it should be everything you will need to keep you comfortable and attractive all day and extra room for many purchases.

Back interest is still receiving attention from designers, A slim black sheath that saves its best line for exit will be a good investment.

Pants for play and around the house wear are being given careful attention. They will be slim but comfortable and are called by a new name — tapers.

The soft look in evening clothes for spring will include lovely dresses made of figured chintz, draped in a haze of organdy. Very flattering.

Subscription rate: $2.00 a year; payable in advance.

Appomattox is a growing town.

SHY BIRDS MAY HAVE TO BE CODDLED A BIT

As is the case with their human compatriots, chickens have a caste system — known in the poultry flock as the "peck order."

Some peck, and some are pecked. And the shy characters who are low in the peck order may have to be coddled a bit.

Poultry specialists at VPI say if you have trouble with the shy birds those that will not get down off the roost and hustle for feed and water, it may pay to put feed and water on the roost. Hanging-type feeders on pulleys which can be raised might prove desirable.

The specialists say in general to be careful of ration changes, and see that there is proper ventilation and enough feeding and watering space in the house. About 20 feet of feed trough and about four feet of watering trough space is needed for each 100 adult birds when they eat and drink from both sides. Try also to allow at least one nest for about every four birds and from seven to nine inches of roost space per bird, depending on the breed.

Italian Request Received For Virginia Peach

The fame of one of Virginia's top fruit developments — the Cavalier nectarine — has spread far afield.

Dr. George D. Oberle, associate horticulturist at VPI Agricultural Experiment Station, says he has received a request from the Italian Federation of Farmers' Cooperatives in Rome for propagating material. The Federation, which has introduced other American fruit varieties to Italy with success, heard of the Cavalier through the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The Cavalier, which was developed and released by VPI in 1952, is a yellow-fleshed, free-stone fruit resistant to frost and brown rot disease. There are now several young plantings of it in Virginia, Dr. Oberle said.

Connubial Blues

Love begins when she sinks in his arms, and ends with her arms in the sink. —The Chicago Daily Tribune.

GOLDEN GLEAMS

'Tis education forms the common mind; Just as a twig is bent, the tree's inclined. —Pope.

'Tis the taught already that profits by teaching. —R. Browning.

What we have to learn to do we learn by doing. —Aristotle.

A little learing is a dangerous thing. —Pope.

Better to be ignorant of a matter than half know it. — Publilius Syrus.

Play safe — drive carefully.

Here's hoping your Christmas gifts include good health, good fellowship and good cheer! Happy holiday to all!

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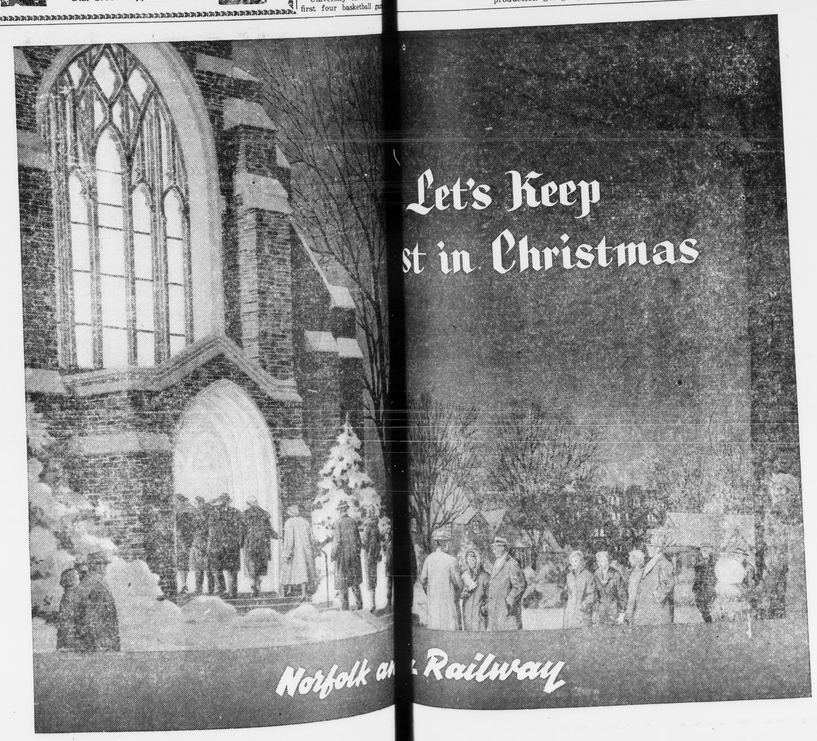

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